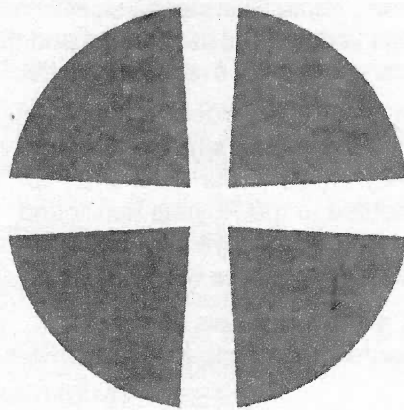


Broadwell mail

*Church and community
news brought to you by
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June & July 2019



BROADWELL METHODIST CHURCH

Minister: The Rev'd Charity Madenyika – 01455 203546

(Day off: Friday)

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From the Editor

In this issue we carry tributes to Gladys Collett and Evelyn Royans whose sister, Sylvia Toole, died in December. In the space of just five months we have said farewell to three people who played significant roles in the life of the Chapel and the local community over many years.

On P9, Angela Woolliscroft, one of Gladys' daughters has written a lovely tribute to her Mum and I am indebted to the Royans family and the Rev'd Madenyika for help in preparing a tribute on P8 to Evelyn.

As a community we send our heartfelt condolences to the families.

Keith Read.
Temporary Editor.

Suggested Bible Readings:

June: 2nd, 1 Kings 18 vv 20-39 & Luke 7 vv 1-10; **9th**, 1 Kings 17 vv 8-24 & Luke 7 vv 11-17; **16th**, 1 Kings 21 vv 1-21 & Luke 7 vv 36 -ch 8 v 3; **23rd**, 1 Kings 19 vv 1-15a & Luke 8 vv 26-39; **30th**, 2 Kings 2 vv 1-2 & 6-14 & Luke 9 vv 51-62;

July: 7th, 2 Kings 5 vv 1-14 & Luke 10 vv 1-11 & 16-30; **14th** Amos 7 vv 7-17 & Luke 10 vv 25-37; **21st**, Amos 8 vv 1-12 & Luke 10 vv 38-42; **28th**, Hosea 1 vv 2-10 & Luke 11 vv 1-13.

Remember in Prayer:

We pray for our parish and the community spirit we enjoy; those who give their time to arrange events for the enjoyment of all and those who care for our community buildings and our churches.

We pray for our neighbours, especially those who are ill or troubled and for



Evelyn Royans, Gladys Collett & Sylvia Toole

Your news for the

August/September edition:

Please ensure all news and contributions reach Keith Read by

Friday 19th July at the very latest. Printing is scheduled for Saturday 27th July.

But please do send Keith any news or other contributions at any time. Early copy always gets a good show! His e-mail address is: keithrread@aol.com (Take care to get two Rs in the middle!) Or jot down your contribution and drop it in at Hawthorn Cottage.

Many thanks.

comfort for those grieving over the loss of loved ones, thinking of the families of Gladys Collett, Evelyn Royans and Sylvia Toole.

We remember all affected by the devastating Hurricane in Mozambique, the second storm to hit that region within a few weeks; those coming to terms with the aftermath of the terrorist attacks in Colombo on Easter Day and those in distress, having lost so much during the Hurricane in India.

We continue to pray for the leaders of our Nation, that they may work in peace and harmony and be guided to make the right decisions.

Coffee mornings:

Our next coffee mornings will be held on Wednesdays June 12th and July 10th at the usual time of 10.30am until 12-noon.

We are always delighted to see anyone who cares to join us at Broadwell Methodist Schoolroom on the second Wednesday of the month, if only for a short time, for coffee or tea, light refreshments and, of course, a friendly chat.



These informal gatherings provide an opportunity to meet and get to know one another a little better. So do join us if you are able.

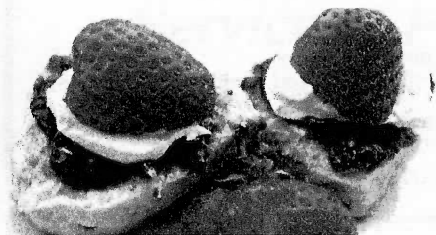
Strawberry Tea:

This year's Strawberry Tea at Broadwell Methodist Church will be on Sunday July 14th.

Teas (price £5 for adults and £3 for under-16s) will be served in the chapel grounds between 3.30pm and 5.30pm. (If wet we will serve teas in the Victory Hall).

Entertainment will be provided by the Windmill Singers and there will be a cake and produce stall.

Tea will be followed at 5.45pm by a Service of Praise, led by Mr Jeff



Wells. Please make a note of it in your diaries and we look forward to seeing many of you on the day.

Church Council:

The next Church Council Meeting will be held in Broadwell Chapel Schoolroom on Tuesday, June 4th at 7.30pm.

This will be a very important meeting in the life of the Methodist Church in Broadwell so please attend if you are able.

LH Parish Council:

Dates for the next Parish council meetings are Monday July 8th and Monday September 9th.

Both meetings start at 6.30pm in Leamington Hastings Parish Hall with the first half-hour dedicated to an Open Forum when members of the public can raise issues or queries with councillors.

Over Sixties' Club:

On Wednesday, June 26th, we will, once again welcome the Claremont Singers to entertain us at 2-30pm.

For our July meeting, on the 31st, Thelma Gee has kindly invited us to meet in the garden of her home at *Doirinn* for afternoon tea from 2-30pm. Fingers crossed for a fine summer day!

New members and friends are always welcome to join us at any of our meetings. These are normally held at Leamington Hastings Parish Hall on the last Wednesday of the month. Do come along!

MESSAGE FROM OUR MINISTER, THE REV'D CHARITY MADENYIKA

Dear Church and Community Family,

It seems that over the last three newsletters we have been reading of the news of a key member of our community whom God has taken to be with Him in glory. As I write I am also reflecting on what is going on around the world and in our nation, in particular, the issue of Brexit and the uncertainty that hangs around it.

I have been reflecting on this bible verse:

"I am leaving you with a gift, peace of mind and heart. And the peace I give is a gift the world cannot give. So, don't be troubled or afraid." (John 14:27 NLT)

"And the peace I give isn't like the peace the world gives" The peace that Jesus is wanting us to receive from Him is a peace that meets all that we are going through. A peace that meets all the needs of the emotions, a peace that silences the fears of our conscience, a peace that is unchanging and reliable amid all the external changes and will abide with us for a very long time. How desirable is it to possess such peace in a time of anxiety and pain. My sister and brothers, we have a Friend who said that he will not leave us and a peace that will always surrounds us.

I also thought of this prayer to share and to encourage us all:

The Prayer of St Francis...

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace;
where there is hatred, let me sow love;
where there is injury, pardon;
where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope;
where there is darkness, light;
and where there is sadness, joy.

O Divine Master,
grant that I may not so much seek
to be consoled as to console;
to be understood, as to understand;
to be loved, as to love;
for it is in giving that we receive,
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
and it is in dying that we are born to Eternal Life.

Amen.

Make Me A Channel of Your Peace by Sebastian Temple, notably recorded by Susan Boyle amongst many others.

May this gift of Christ's peace dwell in your hearts now and always.

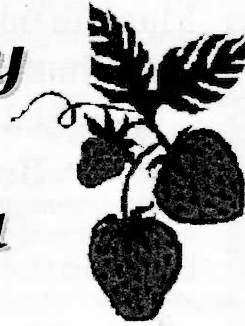
Yours in Christ

Rev'd Charity.

Broadwell Methodist Church



Strawberry and Cream Tea



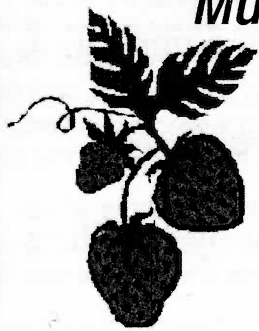
SUNDAY JULY 14TH

Teas served in Chapel grounds

3-30pm - 5.30pm

(In the Victory Hall if a wet day)

Music by Windmill Singers



Adults £5, under-16s £3

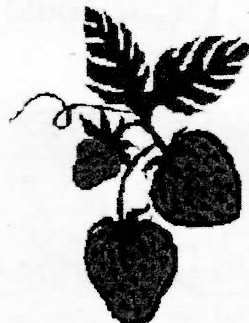
Cake and Produce Stall

Service of Praise

at 5-45pm led by Mr Jeff Wells

Proceeds in aid of Broadwell

Methodist Church



Bright, Beautiful, Blooming Broadwell

Many thanks to all of you who have agreed to take part in the competition to make our village look especially beautiful this summer to celebrate
Broadwell's 100th Flower Show

There will be three categories:

Best hanging basket

Best planted container

Best front garden display

All displays need to be visible from the road.

The judging will take place on

Tuesday 13th August

We would still love to hear from anybody else who feels they are able to participate in this competition to create a

Bright, Beautiful, Blooming Broadwell

Please could you register your interest by emailing us at

sallysandall@gmail.com

Or phoning us on

01926 812687

Giving name, address and contact details

**BROADWELL MAIL HAS BEEN APPROACHED BY SOME OF ITS READERS
WITH A COUPLE OF SUGGESTIONS THAT COULD ENHANCE OUR COMMUNITY**

Time for Broadwell CCTV?

At least four serious burglaries in the village in recent times has prompted some residents to ask if it's time to seek CCTV coverage. This was suggested (*by me! – Editor*) at a NHW meeting in the Victory Hall some years ago. But it was rejected.

However, some residents believe it's now time to look again at this effective anti-theft deterrent. CCTV is so prevalent in towns that it is driving criminals out into the villages...

One concerned resident – Mary Fields – has very kindly volunteered to collate your views on the subject.

So if you feel that it's worth calling a meeting to see what can be done, please give Mary a call on 01926 814894. If there's a positive response we can plan the next step in providing protection for our village.

Help with transport:

With limited public transport it's not surprising that family, friends and neighbours often help the elderly and those without cars to get to doctor and hospital appointments etc.

This has led to suggestions that a more-formal arrangement – with a list of those willing to drive folk to appointments – might prove helpful. And, being organised on a rota basis, such a list could well mean less-frequent journeys for some of the kind drivers.

It would need someone to collate the list and organise the rota. But, first of all, it would need volunteers to do the driving! Are you up for it? Does such a scheme have legs? Please forward your views to *Broadwell Mail*.

(Both these suggestions seem eminently worthy of consideration and discussion within our community – Editor)

Lost birds:

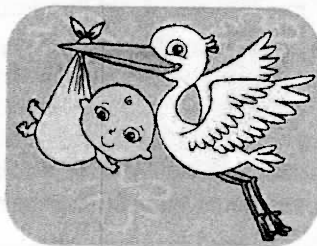
You may find a racing pigeon caught out by bad weather, *writes Sheila Fennell*. Please keep it confined and safe from danger, ring me on 01926 815689 and I will give all necessary care and notify its owner.

Do not be afraid to handle the bird. It won't peck, it won't be diseased – just starving, exhausted and lost! If the owner doesn't want the bird, it can stay as a pet with our pigeons and will be cared for.

Contratulations!

Many congratulations to Dave and Rachel Foster on the birth of their second beautiful daughter, Annabelle Rose, on the evening of 24th April.

Annabelle weighed a healthy 9lb 7oz, says proud Dad, Dave. "And Francesca is already loving being a fantastic big sister."



Evelyn Mary Royans

3rd August 1933 – 20th March 2019

Evelyn was born in Banbury, the second daughter of Albert Goode and Winifred Mary. Like her sisters, Gladys and Sylvia, she enjoyed helping her father on the farm at Malvern Hall.

She attended Cawston Boarding School and then Secretarial School in Leamington before starting work for Stowe & Company in Leamington.

Her Dad, Albert, was co-founder of the Calf Club, later the LH Young Farmers Club, and this was where Evelyn met the young Gordon Royans. They married on 3rd December, 1955, at Dunchurch Methodist Church. Life together started at Laurel Farm, Hill, which was to be their only home. In July 1957 their son, Michael, was born. Daughter Susan was born in June 1959.



As the years went by the farming changed with fewer animals and more arable, including potatoes. Michael well remembers Saturday mornings when the family embarked on potato-riddling. And although Evelyn had spent the morning helping to sort spuds, she also managed to cook a minced-meat pie and a hot pudding.

Evelyn had many hobbies and interests. She spent hours knitting, amazing everyone by watching and following a whole murder mystery without dropping a stitch! Some of her many gifts for the family – from coasters to wall art and from jumpers to cardigans – are still lovingly cherished. As recently as last year she was keeping herself busy knitting clothing for premature babies and donating them to Warwick Hospital. Every year she would fill shoeboxes for the Christmas appeal.

After Michael and Susan left home, Evelyn and Gordon went on many trips with visits including Canada, Switzerland and Norway, not to mention the many coach holidays when Gordon was often the coach driver. She also helped Gordon as the attendant when he drove the school bus.

Evelyn was a keen gardener, lovingly watering her plants every evening and enjoying seeing them grow. Both Evelyn and Gordon were enthusiastic bowlers. In the summer, come rain or shine, they would be found on the bowling green opposite their home. Evelyn always helped with the teas and she was initially the bowls club secretary and, latterly, fixtures secretary, organising matches right up to this year.

She had been a popular dinner lady at LH Infants School. Former pupils have fond memories of her helping them to conceal unwanted vegetables and rice pudding, so that they didn't get into trouble!

Evelyn was a proud grandma to Gary, Louise, Simon, Robert and Bethany, and great-grandma to Leela-Rose. A good grasp of modern technology meant that she confidently used her laptop for home-shopping and sending e-mails and her mobile phone to text her grandchildren to wish them happy birthday or good luck for interviews. She even Face-Timed Robert while he was working in Turkey, thrilled that she could actually look at him and talk to him when he was all those miles away.

Gladys Muriel Collett

7th October 1930 – 15th April 2019

By Angela Woolliscroft

Gladys Collett – my Mum – lived in the parish nearly all her life and was involved in everything that went on whether it was in the Chapel, the Bowls Club, the Women's Institute or the Flower Show. She had many friends and large family, which were always important to her.

Born In Boddington the first daughter of Albert and Winifred Goode, she moved to Malvern Hall Farm, along with her younger siblings – Evelyn and Sylvia – to start a life-long affinity with farming. Gladys was a very capable daughter, able to drive tractors, milk cows and always good with livestock. School life began at Hill, then Leamington College before Aberystwyth University where she studied for a degree in Dairy Agriculture. Mum was a life long supporter of Leamington Hastings Young Farmers Club, having been secretary when she was a member and then an advisory member for several years.



My parents married in 1953 at Rugby Methodist Chapel and moved to Talbot House, Broadwell. It wasn't long before they moved to Hill and carried on the dairy farm. In 1969 the family moved to Malvern Hall, which is still the family farm.

Gladys worked at Southam High School for many years setting up experiments. But most of all she loved to work on the farm. When we had turkeys she would come home from school and work for several hours every night with Gordon Woodward dressing the turkeys ready for Christmas day. Summer holidays would find her stacking and carting bales and, on Monday mornings, you'd find her running around getting the sheep in for market. In 1977 Gladys became Mayoress of Rugby and, being the Jubilee year, it was particularly busy with over 700 engagements!

But it wasn't all work. She helped to set up a youth club which ran for years. Gladys loved music. She was an excellent pianist and played the organ in Broadwell Chapel for many years. In the community she was equally busy being the President of Leamington Hastings WI. When the bowls club started she became President of that too! The Over-Sixties Club was another love where she caught up with everyone, went on outings and made lasting friendships.

In 2000 Gladys suffered a massive stroke which took her speech and her right side and she went to live with my sister, Valerie Bostock, where she enjoyed days with her four children (Valerie, David, Philip and me), her 11 grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren. Despite not being able to speak Gladys could still sing every word of every hymn, giving her great happiness. All can recall her permanent smile.

In 2017 Mum moved into Greenways Care Home who carried on the work of caring for her. Mum's death means that three sisters – all a huge part of this community – have been lost in the space of four months. But today they are at peace. The family thank everyone for their messages of sympathy and support. Mum – and her two sisters – will be so greatly missed.

LH Parish Hall 90th anniversary celebration:

Like Brexit, it seems that construction – and the official opening – of the then-new Parish Hall was delayed back in the late 1920s... Although documentation in the hall itself suggests that it was opened in 1929, a search of newspaper records has revealed that the formal opening of the completed hall was performed by the then Head Master of Rugby School – Mr W W Vaughan – at the end of February 1930.

As a result of discovering the true date it has been decided that the event to mark the 90th anniversary of the hall will be held next year – 2020. Because the celebration will involve events in the grounds of the hall, February is not an ideal time. Therefore the committee plans to stage the celebration in late Spring or early Summer. Full details will be published nearer the date, although there will be some 'community activities' in the run-up to the anniversary event. Watch this space for details!

Trustees of Broadwell

Green & Hall:

What a turn out we had for the plant sale! The fine weather no doubt helped and the result was easily our best year yet.

The sale produced a profit of £892, which was £117 more than the total for last year's event.

A big thank you everyone who supported us and to all our helpers, especially those with green fingers who provided all the plants.

The money raised at the sale will pay our annual insurance for the hall and the green which we are obliged to keep in place.

Our next fund raiser is a Coffee Morning in the Victory Hall on



Saturday 29th June from 10.30 until 12-noon. Please come along for some lovely refreshments and a friendly chat.

Stuart Barrie.

Mobile police station visit:

Our local PCSO, Dave Banks, will be bringing the mobile police station to Broadwell on Sunday 2nd June. It will be parked adjacent to the Victory Hall car park from 12-noon until about 12:45pm.

In view of recent crime within our community you may wish to pop along and chat with Dave regarding advice on how to protect homes and property.

It may be that you have an issue you would like to bring to the attention of our local constabulary. Or you might just want to say hello to Dave and get to know one of the team that covers our area. June 2nd gives you the perfect opportunity!

From LH Bowls Club:

Our outdoor season has begun and we would like to invite you to come along and have a go.

You can play twice with no obligation to join and you can borrow bowls. All you need to do is wear flat shoes, comfortable clothing and turn up at the Leamington Hastings Parish Hall any Wednesday at 6pm.

We are a non-league club with emphasis on having fun and getting some gentle exercise in lovely surroundings with good company. You will be made most welcome so please just turn up and join in.

Susan Turner.

WSO's French evening:

Warwickshire Symphony Orchestra looks to France to find music for its concert at All Saint's Church, Leamington Spa, on Saturday 8th June. Music lovers will enjoy masterpieces from French composers Debussy, Poulenc and Chausson and Canteloube.

Tickets are £14 and £18 for adults, half price for students and children. They are available from Presto Classical in Leamington, [from www.wso.org.uk](http://www.wso.org.uk) or by calling the ticket secretary on 01926 850385.

New loos for ladies!

By the time this edition of Broadwell Mail is published, the refurbished ladies' loos at Leamington Hastings Parish Hall will have been opened.

Following a period of fund-raising, work to completely re-fit the toilets has been undertaken without the need to close the hall.

Dates for your diary:

JUNE:

- 2nd PCSO Dave Banks and mobile police station at Broadwell Victory Hall car park, 12-noon until 12-45pm.
- 4th Broadwell Methodist Chapel Church Council meeting, 7-30pm.
- 8th 7-30pm, WSO's French-music concert at All Saint's Church, Victorial Terrace, Royal Leamington Spa
- 12th Coffee morning, Chapel Schoolroom, 10-30am until 12-noon. All welcome!
- 26th Over Sixties' Club meet at LH Parish Hall at 2-30pm. Claremont Singers entertain.
- 29th Coffee morning at Broadwell Victory Hall, 10-30am until 12-noon. Everyone welcome.

JULY:

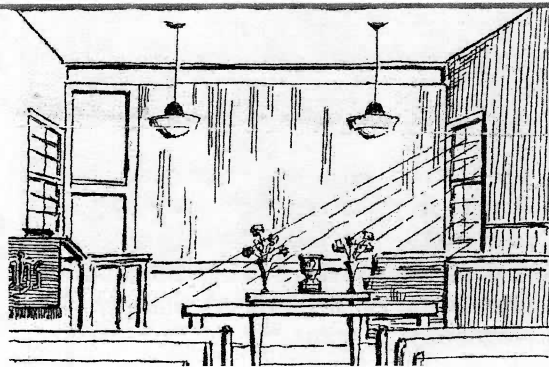
- 8th LH Parish Council meeting, LH Parish Hall, 6-30pm. Public are welcome.
- 10th Coffee morning, Chapel Schoolroom, 10-30am until 12-noon. All welcome!
- 14th Strawberry Tea in Broadwell Chapel grounds. 3-30pm until 5-30pm.
- 14th At 5-45pm, United Service of Praise, Broadwell Chapel.
- 19th **Deadline for copy for June/July Broadwell Mail.**
- 31st Over Sixties' Club meet for Afternoon Tea at Thelma Gee's home, Doirlinn, Broadwell, 2-30pm.

AUGUST:

- 13TH Judging of the Bright, Beautiful, Blooming Broadwell competition flower displays.

PREACHERS FOR June-July

**All services start
at 11am unless
otherwise indicated.**



June	2nd	Mr Richard Brooks
June	9th	Mrs Gillian Glenn
June	16th	The Rev'd Charity Madenyika, Holy Communion
June	23rd	Mr Keith Hiscock
June	30th	Mr John Kay
July	7th	Ms Janet Hinds
July	14th	No morning service. At 5.45pm, following the Strawberry Tea, there will be a Service of Praise led by Mr Jeff Wells.
July	21st	Mr Jeff Wells
July	28th	Mr Adrian Price

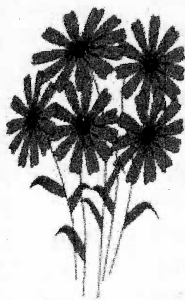
Flower rota

June:

2nd Wendy Williamson
9th Joyce Latham
16th Glenys Caunter
23rd Alison Deeming
30th Sheila Olorenshaw

July:

7th Daphne Morgan
14th Sharon Barnes
21st Valerie Bostock
28th Rosemary Chapman



Cleaning rota

June:

1st Wendy Williamson
8th Sharon Barnes
15th Rachel Sensecall
22nd Alison Deeming
29th Angela Woolliscroft

July

6th Rosemary Chapman
13th Freda Slater
20th Valerie Bostock
28th Wendy Williamson

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